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SUBJECT: RADIO MOSCOW AND NCNA DIFFER ON TANAKA-NIXON  
COMMUNIQUE

SUMMARY: RADIO MOSCOW'S AND NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY'S  
(NCNA) INITIAL REPORTS ON THE TANAKA-NIXON COMMUNIQUE  
OFFER ANINTERESTING CONTRAST IN SOVIET AND CHINESE  
TREATMENT OF THE US AND JAPAN. RADIO MOSCOW EMPHASIZED  
CONTRADICTIONS IN US-JAPANESE RELATIONS WHILE NCNA RE-  
PORTED MAINPOINTS OF THE COMMUNIQUE FACTUALLY WITH  
NOT EVEN OBLIQUE CRITICISM OF EITHER JAPAN OR THE US.  
END SUMMARY.

1. RADIO MOSCOW'S DOMESTIC SERVICE AUGUST 3 (FBIS LONDON)  
STRESSED CONTRADICTIONS, ESPECIALLY ECONOMIC ONES,  
WHICH PERSIST BETWEEN THE US AND JAPAN. MOSCOW SAID  
THAT ALTHOUGH BOTH THE US AND JAPAN SHOWED  
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GREAT INTEREST IN JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF POWER RESOURCES

WITH USSR, BOTH WERE "ALARMED" OVER THE ENERGY CRISIS. MOSCOW CLAIMED THAT DESPITE US COMPLIMENTS AND TALK OF AN "EQUAL PARTNERSHIP", JAPAN REMAINS A "YOUNGER BROTHER" IN ITS RELATIONS WITH THE US.

2. NCNA'S PEKING REPORT AUGUST 3 (FBIS OKINAWA) REPORTED THE COMMUNIQUE'S POINTS FACTUALLY, NCNA NOTED THAT JAPAN HAD BECOME AN "EQUAL PARTNER" WITH THE US AND THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD CONTINUE FRIENDLY COOPERATION TO ACHIEVE COMMON GOALS. WHILE MENTIONING THAT NIXON AND TANAKA SPOKE OF CONTRADICTIONS IN US-JAPANESE ECONOMIC RELATIONS, NCNA REPORTED THAT THE US BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT WITH JAPAN HAD BEEN HALVED. NCNA QUOTED THE COMMUNIQUE, SAYING THE US AND JAPAN WOULD COOPERATE TO ENSURE STABLE SUPPLIES OF ENERGY RESOURCES. NCNA NOTED THE SATISFACTION EXPRESSED BY BOTH LEADERS OVER IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH THE PRC. A JAB AT THE USSR FINALIZED NCNA'S REPORT, SAYING THAT TANAKA MADE IT CLEAR THAT A PEACE TREATY WOULD NEVER BE SIGNED WITH THE USSR UNTIL THE FOUR JAPANESE ISLANDS WERE RETURNED TO JAPAN.

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